

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are presented to place the application in compliance with the sequence rules under 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.

Applicants have submitted a Sequence Listing in both paper and computer readable form as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c) and (e). Amendments directing its entry into the specification have also been incorporated herein. The content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and no new matter has been added.

Also, the amino acid sequences disclosed in the specification have been identified and labeled in accordance with U. S. practice.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the application is now in compliance with the sequence rules under 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. Accordingly, favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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